

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Claim 1 has been amended by incorporating therein the subject matter of former dependent claim 25 which was indicated as allowable in the Official action. Thus, it is submitted that claim 1 is allowable.

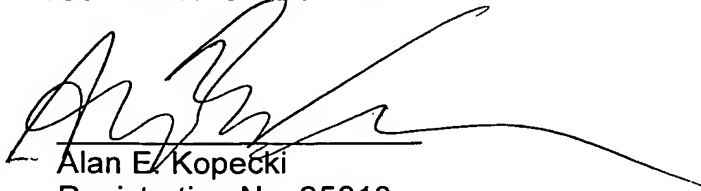
All other independent claims, except claim 22, were indicated as allowable, and that claim has now been canceled.

A copy of this Amendment was sent to Examiner Kershteyn as a proposed amendment and he indicated that the amendment appeared to place the application in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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